ing up near the city of Jammu during the last three years;

(b) the number of authorised/unauthorised colonies, separately, and authorised colonies, separately and who are the promoters thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the land used by the colonisers also includes State/Forest Land;

(d) whether the above land also includes the area to which Town Planning Act/Development Act and Grants Act apply;

(e) what is the rate at which the colonisers are selling various types of plots; and

(f) whether Government have taken or proposed to take any effectiAve steps to check the growth of unauthorised or unplanned colonies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARUNACHALAM (a) to (f) Urban Development is a State subject and the responsibility in regard to giving permissions for colonies under the respective Town Planning Act or taking action against unauthorised colonies is that of the State Government and the local body or development authority concerned. Hence the Government of India is not collecting any data in this regard with reference to specific cities in any State.

Acquisition of Government Land by Ambedkar Bhavan, Rani Jhansi Road, New Delhi

3420. SHRI SATCHIDANANDA: Will the Minister URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Ambedkar Bhawan, Rani Jhansi Road, New Delhi has unauthorisedly acquired Government land;

(b) whether it is a fact that this land has been given to a private caterer by taking lakhs of rupees;

(c) whether this caterer is doing the business of catering on the premises of this building; and

(d) if so, the action taken by Government to take back the land which is in unauthorised possession of the Ambedkar Bhawan and to stop the catering business from the premises?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) A plot of land measuring 1.45 acres in Rani Jhansi Road (known as Ambedkar Bhawan) was allotted to Delhi Scheduled Caste Welfare Association in July, 1946. The institution has unauthorisedly occupied an area of around 3500 sq. Mtr. adjacent to this plot. The request of the institution for allotment of this is being examined.

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise in view of (b) and (c) above.

Acquisition of land for development of Delhi

3421. SHRI SHIVPRASAD CHANPURIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state

(a) whether the persons whose land of 1 bigha is acquired for planned development of Delhi are entitled to plot-size of 40 sq. yards under the scheme of large scale acquisition development and disposal of land, 1961, so, since when this decision is in vogue;

(b) whether the decision of plot-size of 40 Sq. yards in cases acquisition of land of 1 bigha applicable in cases prior to 1991, if so, what is the rationals for retrospective application of this decision; and

(c) whether the persons whose land of 1 bigha was acquired and were allotted plot-size measuring of 250 sq yards as par their original recommen